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(*d*) if so, the action taken by them in this behalf ;

(*e*) whether they are aware that those housee have been built using inferior materials.

(*f*) if so, what action has been taken against the people who are responsible for the same ;

(*g*) whether it is a fact that Chief Minister, Minister for Municipal Administration and the Deputy Minister assured to reduce the cost of these houses after inspecting the place ;

(*h*) whether they would arrange to issue possession certificate to those who have remitted the full amount accordiug to the notification issued on 1st June 1961?

A.—Sri R. M. PATIL (Minister for Development, Panchayat Raj and Municipal Administration).—

(*a*) 102.

(*b*) Rs. 3,649/-

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Under the consideration of Government.

(*e*) Since these are low-cost houses, meterials of higher quality could not be used.

(*f*) No legal action can be taken against the contractors.

(*g*) Yes.

(*h*) Yes, subject to the condition that the allottees agree in writing to the payment of extra cost as finally fixed by Government.

Handing over the management of Belgaum District School Board to Government.

*Q.—1005. Sri CHANNAPPA WALI (Sampagaon-1).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they are aware that the Belgaum District School Board has requested the Government last year to hand over the Management of Belgaum District Board School and other private schools to them;

(*b*) if so, the reasons for not according sanction for the same ;

(*c*) whether they would accord sanction this year ?

A.—Sri S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) There is no Belgaum District Board School. The question of handing over the management of Belgaum District Board School to the District School Board does not therefore arise. Whenever the managements of Private Primary Schools had signified their willingness to close

down their schools the District School Board sought permission to open new schools, after examining the demand and need therefor. The District School Board, Belgaum was permitted to open new schools in all such places.

(*b*) & (*c*) Does not arise in view of reply to the Clause (*a*) above.

Collection of betterment levy on Minor Irrigation.

*Q.—1006. Sri CHANNAPPA WALI (Sampagaon-I).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they intend to collect a betterment levy of Rs. 4,14,925 on Minor Irrigation scheme of Hosur (Savadatti Taluk) as against the expenditure of Rs. 1,19,866 incurred on the scheme ;

(*b*) whether any betterment levy is being charged on Minor Irrigation Schemes in other places ?

A.—Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA (Minister for Minor Irrigation).—

(*a*) Yes.
(*b*) Yes.

Home Guards in the State.

*Q.—1007. Sri KANTHA RAO DESAI (Kushtagi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) what was the strength of the Home Guards in the State before 1962 and what is the present strength ;

(*b*) what was the expenditure on the administrative staff of the Home Guards before 1962, and what is the expenditure now ;

(*c*) why an officer of D. I. G.'s rank is appointed as Commandant General, while in other States, they are only honorary Officers ?

A.—Sri M. V. RAMA RAO (Minister for Home).—

(*a*) Strength of Home Guards before 1962 ; 4,455
present strength of Home Guards (as on 30th November 1965). 8,995

(*b*) Expenditure on Home Guards during 1961-62 ; Rs.82,183
During the year 1964-65 - Rs. 9,04,690-99

(*c*) In the context of the present emergency, the Home Guards Organisation has to be expanded considerably. It was considere dnecessary to appoint a Senior Police Officer with the back-ground of administrative experience and training as the head of the Home Guards